

REMARKS

By the above amendments under 37 CFR §1.312, dependent claim 17 has been amended to depend from dependent claim 16 rather than dependent claim 13, since the recited features of a "reflecting film" is utilized when the magnetooptical device is made of a substance that produces a Faraday effect as recited in claim 16, as described at page 12, lines 10-16 of the specification.

Applicants submit that no new matter has been introduced and that the amendments require no further search and/or consideration and do not affect the allowability of the claims, such that entry of the amendment is requested.

To the extent necessary, applicant's petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in the fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (520.42878X00) and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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